

***CONSIDERAȚII ISTORICE PRIVIND UNELE PIESE  
DE ARMAMENT DEFENSIV (CĂMĂȘILE DE ZALE)  
UTILIZAT DE ROMÂNI ÎN SECOLUL AL XV-LEA***

***HISTORICAL CONSIDERATIONS ON SEVERAL PIECES OF  
ARMATURE (MAIL SHIRTS) USED BY ROMANIANS DURING THE  
XV<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY***

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In the first part, the author tries to present an outline of the political and military hierarchy of the medieval society, highlighting the consequences of the confrontation between the Christian European countries and the Islamic Ottoman Empire, the place and the role of Romanians as defenders of the “Gate of Christianity from the Lower Danube” and, in the second part of the article, he makes a brief description of the categories of armature used during those times; the article constitutes a technical discussion of the mail shirts used by Romanian warriors (examples of which can be found in the cultural patrimony of the museum).